

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re the application of O'Brien et al. ) Examiner: Gollamudi S. Kishore, Ph.D

For: RADIATION SENSITIVE LIPOSOMES

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

## **RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

In response to the Office Action mailed October 18, 2002, please enter the following amendment and consider the following remarks.

## **AMENDMENT**

## In the Claims:

Please amend claims 1, 27 and add claim 36 to read as follows:

1. (currently amended) A liposomal delivery system, comprising a stable liposome-forming lipid and a polymerizable colipid at least some of which are in the form of discrete domains within the liposome, said lipid and colipid form preexisting lipid domains wherein the colipids are clustered in discrete domains, a fraction of said colipid polymerizes upon exposure to ionizing radiation, thereby destabilizing the liposomal membrane.